



Cleveland Preparatory Academy

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Dear Cleveland Preparatory Academy Students and Families,

Governor DeWine has instructed schools to remain closed for the remainder of the academic school year. While we understand this decision was made to help control the spread of the Coronavirus (Covid-19), it brings with it a sense of regret that we will not be able to be together in one place again until next year. Our hearts go out to all our students and staff, especially our 8th grade students who will be moving on to high school in the fall.

While the school building will remain shut down, learning and engagement will continue as it has over the past several weeks through the scheduled end of the year (May 21, 2020). On a weekly basis, learning packets will be made available and distributed through our website, during specific pick-up times, and through the mail. Teachers, including intervention specialists, speech/language pathologists, occupational and physical therapists, and ESL teachers will be reaching out at least once/week to support the ongoing learning efforts.

Given the shut down and challenges associated with distance learning, in lieu of traditional letter grades, teachers will instead be tracking progress on their weekly calls with your child to ensure that learning and growth continue all the way up until the end of the year. This is of far more importance to us during this time than any formal letter grades. Again, please ensure that the weekly check-ins are protected.

For CLPA families, meals will continue to be distributed each Tuesday at the designated locations of West Park Academy and Lincoln Park from 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. A week's worth of lunch and breakfast will be provided. If your child has personal items at the school (school supplies, articles of clothing, etc.), please contact your child's teacher to make arrangements for retrieving those items. We anticipate school starting up again in August; our first day of school will be Wednesday, August 12th. Calendars and back to school information will be sent later this summer.

Without a doubt, this unprecedented time has challenged us all, but we will get through this and we are here to help you. Please stay safe, healthy, and happy.

Best Regards,

Robert Williams, Principal
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